# EuroGeographics updates

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# Highlights 2022

# Pan-European datasets

| EuroRegional Map | EuroGlobalMap | EuroDEM | Pan-European Imagery | Open Gazetteer | Open Cadastral Map |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1:250 000 | 1:1 million | 1:100 000 | 10 metre resolution | Authoritative multilingual names | Prototype |
| Multi-theme | Multi-theme | Elevation Model | Provided by BKG from Copernicus Earth observation | For reference or information | Six countries |
| Open Data | Open Data | Open Data | Open data | Open data | Open data |

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# Facilitating access to members data

## In the European Commission and its agencies

Delivering Open Maps for Europe to support Open Data and Re-Use of Public Sector Information.

Providing data for policy making, monitoring and measurement.

Meeting current and future user requirements to keep official geospatial data relevant.

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# Cooperation with the European Environment Agency (EEA) through a partnership with e-GEOS

Increasing number of official national geospatial datasets available via the Copernicus Reference Access Data gateway.

- 2nd Contract signed to facilitate use of members data in services such as Land Monitoring, Emergency Management and Security.
- Licensing process streamlined through partnership and Copernicus Framework Agreement.

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# Association visibility at the European level

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# Ensuring that members roles, capabilities and concerns are understood globally

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# Policy tracking and consolations

## On behalf of our members, we participated in:

- HVD Regulation proposal
- ITS Directive amendments proposal
- European Statistic regulation revision

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Policy News Summaries

2022

12th December Weekly Policy News Summary (dig programme; conference of Europe; broadband)
5th December Weekly Policy News Summary (drone strategy; ds support centre; HPC web)
28th No... Weekly Policy News Summary (digital decade; budget 2023; supercomputer)
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...ekly Policy News Summary (INSPIRE rules; ITS; Horizon Europe call)
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...cy News Summary (EDPS; Standards; Heritage data space)
...y News Summary (US-EU privacy shield; EDPB; Quantum computing)
...News Summary (AI liability; ITS review; DEP calls)
...y News Summary (Innovation scoreboard; culture for SDGs; study)
...News Summary (Cyber Resilience; political parties; MFF review)

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Weekly Policy News Summary

Year 2022 – Week 49

**The Council:** **2030 policy programme 'Path to the Digital Decade' adopted**

This week the Council adopted the 2030 policy programme 'Path to the Digital Decade', which ensures that the EU meets its objectives for a digital transformation in line with EU values. The decision aims to strengthen the EU's digital leadership by promoting inclusive and sustainable digital policies that serve citizens and businesses. To this end, it sets out the concrete digital targets that the EU and its member states aim to reach by the end of the decade in four areas: strengthening digital skills and education; secure and sustainable digital infrastructures; digital transformation of businesses; digitalisation of public services. The policy programme will facilitate investments in areas like high-performance computing, common data infrastructure and services, blockchain, low-power processors, pan-European development of 5G corridors, high-tech partnership for digital skills, secure quantum infrastructure and network of cybersecurity centres, digital public administration, testing facilities and digital innovation hubs. The decision also provides for an effective cooperation mechanism between the Member States and the Commission with a view to achieving the programme's objectives. The text of the decision will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union in the coming days and will enter into force the twentieth day after this publication.

**The Parliament:** **Conference on the Future of Europe - feedback event**

This week the Parliament hosted feedback event on the Conference on the Future of Europe, involving representatives of the Parliament, the Council and the Commission, as well as the citizens who were at the core of the Conference's work. They examined how the EU institutions are following up on the ... proposals. Shaping a vision of Europe's future was the task of all participants in the

Weekly Poli...

Year 2...

**The Parliament:** **Digital decade 2030 ...**

Legislation setting up the Digital D... infrastructure, businesses and public services ... Decade" plan, already agreed upon with Coun... wide digital targets to be achieved by 2030, ... through joint investment. The programme aim... least basic digital skills. During talks with Cou... enterprises should use cloud computing servic... 90% of European SMEs should reach at least ... secure that democratic life and key public servi... citizens have access to their medical e-records ... and provide for a legal structure and allow co-f... as public and private investors. During negotiat... a strong scrutiny role in the process of achievin...

**The Parliament:** **MEPs adopt EU budg...**

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# Knowledge Exchange

### Webinars

- 2000 total participants in active programme of knowledge exchange activities
- Members-only webinar series
- Events held by Cadastre and Land Registry KEN, Policy KEN, Quality KEN and INSPIRE KEN
- Funding Working Group
- Permanent Correspondents Exchange

### Events

- Talking Heads programme for Heads of member organisations
- Workshops with EuroSDR: Artificial Intelligence (AI), Sustainable Open Data Business Models for NMCAs, and Geodata Discoverability.
- Collaboration with UN-GGIM to provide a platform for knowledge exchange and capacity building

### KENs

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# EuroGeographics Strategy

In 2023 we will see a shift in strategic focus moving EuroGeographics further down the path of acting as an enabler to allow users and key stakeholder easy access to members' data. EuroGeographics fulfils this role in one way by creating small and medium scale pan-European datasets. Many of the datasets have been made open and are easily accessible though the OME Project portal. This promoted a significant increase in users, which in turn has built their expectations and requirements for access to high value large-scale data.

The OME2 project, which started January 2023, builds on these user needs by continuing to support the successful outcomes of OME, but looks to develop the production process and prototype the creation of large-scale high value panEuropean data. This project aligns with the EU polices of the Open Data Directive, the opening of High Value Data, and the evolution of the INSPIRE Directive.

OME2 not only includes the data pillar of activity, but also significantly incorporates the Knowledge Exchange and Representation pillars. We therefore see a merging of the activities to achieve the aims of OME2, with emphasis on promoting the uses and demonstrating the value of members' authoritative high value data, while also showcasing their knowledge and expertise in this area. This will become the strategic focus for EuroGeographics activities.

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# Knowledge Exchange

- EuroGeographics Strategy – 3 pillars of activities: data, representation and knowledge exchange supporting each other
- KENs linked to each other, looking at the same topics from different perspectives – e.g. INSPIRE Directive, HVD, security, privacy vs. Open Data and support the strategy by their actions. E.g. CLRKEN and OME2 WP6.
- KENs are not silos, but cooperating groups run by members for members, based on the EuroGeographics Strategy

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# Knowledge Exchange

**New!** *Technical Data Knowledge Exchange Network* (TDKEN) will exchange and share technical data knowledge amongst its members to advance solutions to existing obstacles in the production of pan-European datasets.

The TDKEN will focus on specific topics:

- Generalisation
- Edge-matching
- Harmonisation
- Quality
- Life-cycle management

First virtual meeting 16th March from 10.30-11.30 CET

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# BEHIND THE SCENES

## Knowledge Exchange

Webinars

Events

KENs

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# Delivering the message to external stakeholders

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# Working with our partners and stakeholders to bring value to our members

UN-GGIM

EuroGeoSurveys European Geoscience for Society
The Geological Surveys of Europe

ELRA
European Land Registry Association

UNECE

Open Geospatial Consortium

EuroSDR

PCC
Permanent Committee on Cadastre in the European Union

GWF 2022
GEOSPATIAL WORLD FORUM

FIG
International Federation of Surveyors
Fédération Internationale des Géomètres
Internationale Vereinigung der Vermessungsingenieure

ICA ACI
International Cartographic Association
Association Cartographique Internationale

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